

3 Wonderful Pictures

Gem Theatre, Donaldsonville, Dec. 30, 31, and Jan. 1

Sunday, "Mother o' Mine. Monday, "The Curse of Iku"
Tuesday, "The On-the-Square Girl"

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Donaldsonville Chief

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1917.

Happy New to all!
Last call for poll taxes.
Our 1918 Christmas Club now open. Commercial and Savings Bank.
Adjutant General C. C. McCrory, of Hope Villa, was here yesterday on business.
Mrs. Percy Lemann returned Friday from a two-day visit to relatives in New Orleans.
Miss Norma Gisclair left today for St. Martinville, where she will spend a few days with friends.
Mr. and Mrs. Delmayne Hanson came up from New Orleans to spend Christmas with relatives here.
Miss Hilda Park, of Burton, is spending the holidays here with her relatives, the Misses Von Lottin.
Lieutenant H. I. Lill of Camp Beauregard was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Allen on Christmas day.
The Belle Alliance factory of the Shamrock Land and Planting Company finished grinding Wednesday.
Miss Juanita Noel spent a week-end recently on Elm Hall plantation as the guest of Miss Dorothy Joffrin.
Mrs. F. B. Lemann and her small daughter, Fannie May, have returned from a few days' stay in New Orleans.
Mrs. R. E. Noel and Miss Juanita Noel, of McManor plantation, spent several days in New Orleans last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Binnings, of New Orleans, were the guests of relatives here for the Christmas celebration.
Miss Stella Haas, of Salsburg plantation, is spending a few weeks in New York city with relatives and friends.
Adolph Falcon, of Waggaman, was transacting business here Wednesday and complimented the Chief with a pleasant call.
Mr. and Mrs. James P. Armitage were the guests of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Saxon, at Burnside, on Christmas day.
Tilden Fernandez, of New Orleans, was in town during the week for a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Fernandez.
Harold Mayer, of New Orleans, spent Christmas here with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lemann.
Mr. and Mrs. Pierre V. Blanchard and their baby daughter are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. P. Leo Blanchard and family.
Mrs. Emma C. Pujos and her daughter, Miss Annie Laurie Pujos, left Thursday noon for a visit to friends in New Orleans.
Mrs. David Kohlman and her lovely little daughter, Fanny Marian, of New Orleans, are here on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Blum.
Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Martin spent Christmas with relatives in New Orleans, going down Monday and returning Wednesday forenoon.
Mrs. Victor Maurin, Jr., and her granddaughter, Miss Josie Vee St. Martin, are the guests of relatives in Baton Rouge for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Mose Bloomenstiel and little Carrie Bloomenstiel spent Christmas in White Castle with Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weill and family.
George Schaff, of Plaquemine, was among the numerous erstwhile Donaldsonvillians who returned to the old town for a Christmas visit to relatives.
Conner Randolph, of Bayou Goula, was a prominent visitor to Donaldsonville last Monday and received a cordial greeting from his numerous friends.
A dance will be given at Melancon's hall in Smoke Bend Sunday night under the management of Elphège Dugas. Everybody is invited to attend.
The Salsburg factory at Lauderdale, St. James parish, brought the sugar-making season to a close Friday morning, after a smooth and successful run.
Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Guillot and family had as their guest for Christmas Miss Lena Wenner, of New Orleans. The attractive visitor returned home Wednesday morning.
Lee Rogge, who is attending a business college in New Orleans, is spending the Christmas holidays at home, and his many friends are delighted to have him among them.
Jimmie Trepagnier, who is enrolled in a machine gun company now stationed at Camp Bowie, Texas, is at home on a holiday furlough and will be here until after New Year's.
Miss Georgette Richard, a student of the Louisiana State Normal School at Natchitoches, is spending the holidays at home, much to the gratification of her wide circle of friends.

Happy New Year!
To all its readers and friends, and all their friends as well, the Chief wishes a very happy and prosperous New Year. May 1918 bring to each and all bountiful blessings and the fulfillment of dearest desires that will thrice compensate for the misfortunes or disappointments of 1917.
Next Monday is the last day on which poll taxes for 1917 can be paid. If you haven't attended to this important duty, by all means make it a point to do so before the expiration of the year.
Private Michel P. Blouin, of Ascension, after enjoying a several days' furlough on a visit to relatives and friends, left last Saturday for Camp Beauregard, where he is presently stationed.
Joe Walker, of Donaldsonville, one of Ascension's colored selectmen enrolled in the national army, returned home for a brief visit at the beginning of the week. He is presently located at Camp Beauregard.
Mr. and Mrs. James P. Armitage were among the party of friends who accompanied the remains of H. Clay Braud from Burnside to New Orleans Thursday morning. They returned to Donaldsonville in the afternoon.
John Schaff, superintendent of the big Meeker refinery in Rapides parish, came home to spend Christmas with his family, returning to his post of duty Wednesday. Meeker will be in operation about two weeks longer.
David Robertson, one of the Donaldsonville boys selected for the new national army, was in town for a few days this week on a Christmas furlough. Mr. Robertson is a member of the engineering corps, and is presently stationed at Camp Beauregard.
Messrs. William A. and Dave Dill, respectively chief and assistant sugar boiler of the McManor Company's Tally-Ho factory in Iberville parish, have returned home after successfully "taking off" the 1917 crop. Tally-Ho terminated the campaign last Sunday.
The wedding of Miss Cecile Melancon, the accomplished daughter of Mrs. S. V. Coriell, of Darrow, to Antoine S. Anderman, of St. James, will be celebrated at St. Anthony's chapel in Darrow Wednesday of next week, the 2nd proximo, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
Miss Celine Theriot, daughter of Louis Theriot, of Ascension parish, and Emile Andermann, son of Ernest Andermann, of Union, were married at the Catholic church in this city Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The young couple will make their home at Union.
District court did not convene this week, as scheduled, it having been postponed to defer the sittings of the judicial body until after the holidays. The various matters fixed for consideration were continued to a later date, by consent of the judge and the attorneys concerned.
Police Jurors E. D. Dixon, of Hope Villa, Joseph Gonzales, of Gonzales, and J. G. Nargassans, of St. Amant, came to town yesterday to attend a called meeting of the police jury, but they were the only members of the body who answered to their names at roll-call, the session failing for want of a quorum.
An interesting event of the coming week will be the marriage of Miss Marie Juanita Poche, the pretty daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Poche, of this city, to Honore W. Charlet, of Plattenville, which will be solemnized at the Catholic church Wednesday, January 2, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.
Albert Muller, who for years has been one of the efficient and reliable members of the staff of employees at the big Salsburg refinery, passed through Donaldsonville Friday en route to his home at Galvez. Mr. Muller dropped in to exchange holiday greetings with the editor of the Chief while in town.
Honore T. Ayraud, chief engineer of the Homestead sugar factory in West Baton Rouge parish, was circulating among his many friends in this community on Thursday last. Mr. Ayraud and his family spent Christmas with Mrs. Ayraud's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Prejean, at their home on Half-Way plantation.
Sergeant E. K. Sims, Jr., Corporal Leonard Pfister and Private Carlito Guillot were the only Donaldsonville boys serving in Co. A of the 142nd Machine Gun Battalion who were fortunate enough to obtain Christmas furloughs. They returned to Camp Beauregard Tuesday night after a three-day stay with the home folk.
Pat. Stakelum has bought from the Magnin's Land and Improvement Company the lot of land on which the machine shop is located, the purchase price being \$400. The property is located in the square bounded by Pine and Taylor streets, Houmas, Division, and measures 78 feet front by 100 feet deep.
Hon. Edward S. Pugh, Nestor of the Ascension bar and distinguished lawyer, was presented yesterday by a number of his friends for some Pugh has been in the road to recovery time, but is on the house for a ride in the fine machine of which he is now the owner.

Local Boy Commanding Destroyer.
Lieut. D. C. Cary of the United States navy, accompanied by Mrs. Cary and their attractive little daughter, Doris, arrived from New Orleans Monday for a holiday visit to Lieut. Cary's parents, Capt. and Mrs. W. S. Cary, remaining until Friday. Lieut. Cary is commanding the United States destroyer Dahlgren. Censorship prevents telling interesting stories, he said, of his experiences at sea. Before the war he was active in the naval reserve and previously served a term of enlistment in the navy. His wife, who was formerly Miss Evelyn Lear, of this city, makes her home in Algiers. The young couple's host of friends here were pleased to see them again, and the gallant officer was recipient of cordial congratulations upon his advancement in rank. Lieut. Cary will leave New Orleans January 5 to rejoin his ship at an Atlantic port.
Cordial Welcome for New Minister.
Members of the local Methodist congregation to the number of thirty or more called in a body at the parsonage last evening for a social visit to the new pastor, Rev. W. F. Henderson, Jr., and his family. Rev. Henderson was absent on a pastoral visit to St. James and did not return until after the departure of the visitors, but Mrs. Henderson and her bright young daughter received the callers and a couple of hours were spent very pleasantly. Each member of the party brought a gift of some kind for the parsonage pantry. Rev. Henderson states that never has he met with a more cordial or gracious reception than that extended him by the people of this section, and he is deeply appreciative of the many courtesies and evidences of friendship received by him and his family since their arrival.
Curb Market Successfully Instituted.
The curb market instituted here last Saturday under the supervision of Miss Marjorie Arbour, emergency home demonstration agent for Ascension parish, assisted by the girls of the domestic science department of the Donaldsonville High School, attracted a large number of buyers and practically everything offered for sale was disposed of. The market was located in front of the postoffice, and the display of good things to eat comprised a choice assortment of seasonal vegetables and a lot of dressed turkeys. The event will be repeated on the first Saturday of every month, and a vigorous effort will be made by the promoters to provide an increased variety and quantity of products at future occasions of the kind.
New Year's Eve Show.
The gifted Japanese actress, Tsuru Aoki, will be seen in the leading role in "The Curse of Iku," which is to be the attraction at the Gem Theatre New Year's eve. The play opens with scenes showing the practices of the barbarous natives and how they treated foreign invaders. In commenting on this magnificent production, which was recently shown at the Tudor Theatre in New Orleans the item said: "The 'Curse of Iku' is one of the best plays that has been shown on the Tudor screen, if not in New Orleans."

LOCAL CADETS WIN DRILL

Reserve High School Company Defeated in Interesting Contest.

The long-anticipated competitive drill between the Donaldsonville High School cadets and the company from the Reserve High School was held at the local fair grounds Sunday afternoon in the presence of a small but patriotic and enthusiastic crowd of spectators. The contest was judged by Dr. Wirth of Lafourche parish, who formerly was an officer in the regular army service, assisted by Sergeant E. K. Sims, of Camp Beauregard.
The result was a decisive victory for the home company, who in a strictly military sense greatly outclassed the visitors in every point of the game. At the close of the contest the trophy of victory, a handsome silver loving cup, was presented to the winning company in a brief and stirring address by Mayor E. K. Sims.
The Reserve company were not uniformed and were equipped only with wooden guns, all of which was in strong contrast with the local cadets, who, in their regulation khaki uniforms, armed with U. S. Army rifles, and headed by a life and drum corps, presented a most soldierly and military appearance.
It had been agreed beforehand, however, that equipment should not be considered by the judges; hence the victory of the home boys was all the more clean-cut and decisive.

The field movements and manual of arms executed by each company was varied with a series of setting-up and rifle exercises, which added greatly to the pleasure and interest of the spectators. The climax of the drill was reached when the local cadets fired two rousing volleys from their rifles with blank cartridges.
The home company was commanded by Cadet Captain Wilfred Binnings, to whose intelligent and untiring efforts much of the credit is due for the marked efficiency of the company. The visitors were under command of Parish Superintendent L. F. Laurent, of St. John the Baptist, a former cadet of the Louisiana State University.

Flushed with their victory, the D. H. S. cadets have issued an open challenge to meet any high school company in the state at the annual rally which will be held this year in Baton Rouge the last days of April. This challenge includes superior preparatory schools as Rugby, Dyer's and Jefferson College.

After the holidays extended order drill will be taken up by the cadets, so that by the date of the next contest a much fuller and more varied program will be possible.

Going Some!

The many friends here of Herbert Binnings, who recently enlisted in the signal corps of the army, will be interested to learn of his meteoric promotion, as recounted in a letter to relatives. He is stationed at Camp Millington, Park Field, Tenn., and writes that upon reporting there a couple of weeks ago he began his military career as a "buck private" on Monday, was made a first-class private on Tuesday, promoted to corporal on Wednesday, advanced to second sergeant on Thursday, and elevated to the rank of first sergeant on Friday. He is preparing to stand for promotion for chief mechanic of the signal corps, and if he qualifies for the position will be in line for further promotion.

T. & P. Trains Discontinued

Availing itself of the permission granted by the railroad commission, the Texas & Pacific Railroad on Thursday discontinued trains Nos. 20 and 29, known locally as "the plug." Train No. 20, east-bound, formerly passed Donaldsonville at 7:37 a. m., and train No. 29, west-bound, formerly arrived here from New Orleans at 7:44 p. m. The contemplated changes in the schedule of other trains were not made. The shortage of fuel is given as the reason for the annulment of trains 20 and 29.

TRAGIC DEATH OF AGED LADY.

Mrs. J. J. Claverie Fatally Injured When Struck by Automobile.

A most deplorable accident occurred in Donaldsonville at about 4 o'clock last Monday afternoon, when Mrs. J. J. Claverie, aged 78 years, was run down by an automobile driven by Miss Mildred Corbo, 17 years of age of Brusley Sacramento, and suffered injuries which resulted in her death twenty minutes later. The accident occurred in Railroad avenue at the intersection of Claiborne street, and eye-witnesses assert that the young woman who was driving the automobile was in no way to blame.

Mrs. Claverie, who resided at Barton with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wilson, had come to Donaldsonville for a Christmas eve visit to relatives, and after calling on friends residing at the corner where the accident occurred, was in the act of crossing Railroad avenue and had proceeded several feet from the curb when for some reason she turned around and started back toward the sidewalk.

The car driven by Miss Corbo was proceeding up Railroad avenue from the direction of the Texas & Pacific passenger station, and had turned in close to the curb to pass behind Mrs. Claverie, when the aged woman suddenly turned around and stepped immediately in front of the machine. She was thrown to the street pavement with great force and dragged several feet. The wheels of the car did not pass over her body, but it became wedged under the front axle and some effort was required to extricate the prostrate form.

A physician residing nearby was summoned and responded immediately, but the victim of the accident passed away in a few minutes.

Mrs. Claverie was formerly Miss Sophronie Blanchard, and was a native and life-long resident of this city. Her husband, the late Dr. J. J. Claverie, was a former prominent physician and banker of Donaldsonville, and was widely known throughout this section of the state. A woman of culture and refinement, endowed with admirable qualities of mind and heart, Mrs. Claverie personified the highest type of christian matron and in every detail of life measured up to the most exalted conceptions of honor and integrity. The world is the better and purer for her having lived in it, and her memory will ever be fondly cherished in the hearts of all who knew her. The unfeigned sorrow caused by her demise is a tribute to her worth more feeling than any mere words of eulogy could possibly express.

Besides her daughter, Mrs. Wilson, one son, Dr. Arthur Claverie, of Baltimore, and two brothers, P. Leo Blanchard and J. J. Lafargue, of this city, survive.

The funeral took place from the residence of Mr. Blanchard at 4 p. m. Tuesday, with services and interment in the Catholic church and cemetery. A throng of mourners accompanied the remains of the lamented lady to their last resting place, laying aside for the moment the festive spirit of Christmas to gather around the bier of their departed friend and pay to her memory the final tribute of respect accorded by mortals to those who have solved the great mystery.

Miss Mildred Corbo, who was at the wheel which struck Mrs. Claverie, is the daughter of Augustin Corbo, a well-known farmer of the Brusley neighborhood of Ascension parish.

Catarrhal Cough

Mr. W. S. Brown, R. F. D. No. 4, Box 82, Rogersville, Tennessee, writes:

"I feel it my duty to recommend Peruna to all sufferers of catarrh or cough. In the year 1909, I took a severe case of the la grippe. I then took a bad cough. I had taken all kinds of cough remedies but got no relief. I then decided to try Peruna. I used five bottles. After taking five bottles my cough stopped and my catarrh was cured. My average weight was 116 and now I weigh 148 1/2. Any one suffering with catarrh in any form I will advise them to take Peruna."

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DONALDSONVILLE, LA.

New Year Greetings!

We take pleasure in extending to our many friends and patrons the compliments of the season, with sincerest best wishes for a Happy New Year. To those who have so generously favored this store during the year, we express our deep sense of appreciation.

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Donaldsonville, La.

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Home Mercantile Company

Mississippi Street

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 20, 1917.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has this day applied to the commission council of the city of Donaldsonville, Louisiana, by filing a written petition as required by law, for a permit to operate a barroom for the sale of intoxicating liquors to whites, during the year 1918, in a building situated at No. 512 Railroad avenue, owned by Paul Fontana and Giuseppe Compagna, in the city of Donaldsonville.
PAUL FONTANA.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 28, 1917.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has this day applied to the commission council of the city of Donaldsonville, Louisiana, by filing a written petition as required by law, for a permit to continue the operation of a barroom for the sale of intoxicating liquors to negroes, during the year 1918, at the southwest corner of Railroad avenue and St. Michael street, (No. 762 Railroad avenue), in the city of Donaldsonville, said barroom having been heretofore duly and legally operated as such.
ROCCO SAVOIA.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 15, 1917.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has this day applied to the commission council of the city of Donaldsonville, Louisiana, by filing a written petition as required by law, for a permit to continue the operation of a barroom for the sale of intoxicating liquors to negroes, during the year 1918, at the corner of Pine and Fourth streets, in the village of Pine and Fourth streets, in the city of Donaldsonville, said barroom having been heretofore duly and legally operated as such.
WILLARD GASSO.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 15, 1917.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has this day applied to the commission council of the city of Donaldsonville, Louisiana, by filing a written petition as required by law, for a permit to continue the operation of a barroom for the sale of intoxicating liquors to negroes, during the year 1918, at the corner of Pine and Fourth streets, in the village of Pine and Fourth streets, in the city of Donaldsonville, said barroom having been heretofore duly and legally operated as such.
VICTOR GAGLIANO.

FOR SALE.
AMERICAN HOIST DERRICK, wood frame, 60-foot boom, 5 guy lines. Will be sold at a bargain. Apply to or address JOSEPH T. CAPTERO, Donaldsonville, La.

FOR SALE.
ABOUT 500 bushels of corn in shock. Apply to EARL GRIST, Houma, La.

FOR RENT.
BUILDING in Railroad avenue territory, at corner of Pine and Fourth streets, in the village of Pine and Fourth streets, in the city of Donaldsonville, La. Inquire of JAMES P. ARMITAGE, Donaldsonville, La.

AMENDMENT OF CHARTER

— of the —
Commercial and Savings Bank of Donaldsonville.

A MEETING of the stockholders of the Commercial and Savings Bank of Donaldsonville, La., held on the 18th day of December, 1917, two-thirds of the stockholders being present in person or by proxy, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that Article III of the charter of this corporation be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of fifty thousand dollars, divided into five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each, and articles, in all other respects, to remain as now written."
A true copy of the original.
ALBERT DELERY, President.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Bank of Ascension.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 5, 1917.
REGULAR MEETING of the stockholders of the Bank of Ascension will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 1, 1918, at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

First, for the purpose of amending Article I of the charter of said bank relative to capital stock.
Second, for the purpose of amending Article IV of the charter of said bank relative to board of directors.
Third, for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year.
JOHN S. THIBAUT, Cashier.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

— of the —
Ascension Farm Loan Association.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 5, 1917.
MEETING of the Ascension Farm Loan Association will be held at the W. O. W. Hall in Donaldsonville, La., Tuesday, January 2, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and of transacting such other business as may come before the association. All members of the association are hereby notified to be present.
E. C. CALDER, Secretary-Treasurer.